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### Drinking Water and Municipal Infrastructure Branch Chief Supervisory Interdisciplinary GS-1301/0819/0401-15

#### **INTRODUCTION:**

Serves as the Branch Chief of the Drinking Water and Municipal Infrastructure Branch (DWMIB), Clean Water Division (CWD), Region 2, EPA.

DWMIB develops and implements selected potable/source water programs under the Clean Water Act (CWA), Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) and related statutes. Coordinates the negotiation and approval of state, interstate, tribal and local program grant workplans. Recommends the award of individual program grants. As discussed below, the branch has three sections and one team that develops and implements the region's drinking water, source water and ground water program; special projects; the SRF program; and the New York City water supply protection program.

#### **MAJOR DUTIES:**

The Branch Chief directs the following programs or program segment(s):

- Administers Region II's drinking water and ground water protection program pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water Act. Provides technical oversight and support to delegated state Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) programs; implements the Federal Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) program on Indian Lands; and provides technical assistance to states in support of their delegation responsibilities. Assists the Strategic Planning and Multi-Media Program Branch in developing drinking water elements of multi-media strategic plans and state program grant work plans and evaluating state progress in achieving the goals and objectives of those plans. Investigates emergency situations involving water supply, certifies water supply systems are providing potable water to common carriers operating in interstate commerce, and provides technical assistance and outreach on water supply issues. Implements drinking water sector security responsibilities. (30% of Branch activities).
- Administers the multi-million dollar Special Appropriations Act grant program (Congressional Earmarks) for projects/grants in New York and New Jersey. Approves planning, designing and construction inspections; and eligibility and allowability determinations of costs and closeout of program grants. The Section is also responsible for Wastewater Security, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Training and Clean Water Indian Set-Aside grant programs. (30% of Branch activities).
- Implements Region II's State Revolving Fund (SRF) program, a multi-billion dollar CWA. Oversees the development and review of operation agreements, intended use plans, capitalization grant agreements, the award of Federal capitalizations grants, and the awards made available through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. From these SRFs, states can provide loans and other types of financial assistance (but not grants) to municipalities for the construction of wastewater treatment facilities, or for implementing management plans under Sections 319 and

320 (non-point source and national estuary programs) of the CWA. Develops and leads interdivisional annual reviews for large New York and New Jersey SRF programs, and provides guidance to CEPD's Municipal Water Programs Branch regarding the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico CWSRF program. (30% of Branch activities).

Oversees the New York City water supply protection program that implements EPA's Filtration Avoidance Determination for New York City's Catskill and Delaware Water Supplies. Assesses whether New York State and New York City have met critical Determination Milestones, responding as appropriate. Develops and implements long range plans for maximizing the quality of water in the watershed. Communicates progress in ensuring the continued safe delivery of potable water to the citizens of New York City and neighboring communities. (10% of Branch activities).

Time percentages shown above reflect the approximate percentage of time spent by the Branch's management and staff, including contractors, on the program or program segment identified.

The Branch Chief determines overall program goals for the activities under his/her direction to include both short and long range workplans. This planning process encompasses several ongoing cycles of management activity which intertwine and run parallel in time; the regional program planning/budget cycle and the Branch planning cycle. The Chief makes decisions regarding consistency across the Branch for productivity improvements, accountability, and the effectiveness of individual performance. The incumbent uses initiative and judgment to determine appropriate programmatic priorities, makes decisions affecting the direction of the program, and determines whether overall program goals and objectives are being met. Assures that environmental justice and pollution prevention objectives are considered in the program planning process. Develops and maintains high level contacts with regulated Community, State and Federal agencies, as appropriate.

The Branch Chief draws upon his/her expertise regarding the principles and practices of water pollution control to influence national policy development. Comments on draft regulations and policies, participates in national workgroups, represents EPA at meetings and conferences, and supervises Region II projects which influences and formulates national policy.

Determines the Branch resources needed to accomplish the Branch workplan, and balances utilization of staff, training needs and travel budget. Makes determinations and recommendations on promotions and awards. Ensures the Branch is responsive to new and developing program areas.

Fosters cooperation and team approaches to resolve problems. Coaches employees, facilitates the development of skills required to meet Branch goals. Implements and supports provisions of agency programs in the areas of equal employment and cultural diversity.

Supports management integrity as a top priority in the Branch and ensures that it is integrated into daily work. Develops, assesses, and strengthens management control systems to safeguard programs and achieve mission results. Takes timely corrective actions on all identified weaknesses. Ensures prompt follow-up and resolution of audit findings. Supports a full disclosure policy for the organization that provided early detection of emerging issues. Keeps top levels of management fully apprised of effectiveness of management integrity systems.

Manages extramural resources, grants, cooperative agreements, and interagency agreements properly and in compliance with regulatory requirements and Agency policies and procedures. Develops appropriate extramural resources and management competencies in staff.

Major contacts managed by the Branch include regional mission contracts and/or components of national mission contracts for the various water quality monitoring and modeling projects and review of water pollution control projects.

#### FACTOR 1 -PROGRAM SCOPE AND EFFECT

Level 1-3 (550 points)

The Branch Chief directs a program segment that performs technical, administrative, protective, investigative, or professional work. The program segment and work directed typically have coverage which encompasses a major metropolitan area, a State, or a small region of several States; or, when most of an area's taxpayers or businesses are covered, coverage comparable to a small city. Providing complex administrative or technical or professional services directly affecting a large or complex multimission military installation also falls at this level.

Activities, functions, or services accomplished directly and significantly impact a wide range of agency activities, the work of other agencies, or the operations of outside interests (e.g., a segment of a regulated industry), or the general public. At the field activity level (involving large, complex, multimission organizations and/or very large serviced populations comparable to the examples below) the work directly involves or substantially impacts the provision of essential support operations to numerous, varied, and complex technical, professional, and administrative functions.

#### FACTOR 2—ORGANIZATIONAL SETTING

Level 2-3 (350 points)

The position reports to an SES level Division Director position.

FACTOR 3 – SUPERVISORY AND MANAGERIAL AUTHORITY EXERCISED Level 3-3 B (775 points)

Exercise all or nearly all of the delegated supervisory authorities and responsibilities described at Level 3-2c of this factor and, in addition, the following: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14 and 15.

- 1. Using any of the following to direct, coordinate, or oversee work: supervisors, leaders, team chiefs, group coordinators, committee chairs, or comparable personnel; and/or providing similar oversight of contractors;
- 2. Exercising significant responsible in dealing with officials of other units or organizations, or in advising management officials of higher rank.
- 3. Assuring reasonable equity (among units, groups, teams, projects, etc) of performance standards and rating techniques developed by subordinates or assuring comparable equity in the assessment by subordinates of the adequacy of contractor capabilities or of contractor completed work:
- 4. Direction of a program or major program segment with significant resources (e.g., one at a multimillion dollar level of annual resources);
- 5. Making decisions on work problems presented by subordinate supervisors, team leaders, or similar personnel, or by contractors.
- 6. Evaluating subordinate supervisors or leaders and serving as the reviewing official on evaluations of nonsupervisory employees rated by subordinate supervisors;

- 7. Making or approving selections for subordinate nonsupervisory positions;
- 8. Recommending selections for subordinate supervisory positions and for work leader, group leader, or project director positions responsible for coordinating the work of others, and similar positions;
- 9. Hearing and resolving group grievances or serious employee complaints;
- 10. Reviewing and approving serious disciplinary actions (e.g., suspensions) involving nonsupervisory subordinates.
- 11. Making decisions on nonroutine, costly, or controversial training needs and training requests related to employees of the unit;
- 12. Determining whether contractor performed work meets standards of adequacy necessary for authorization of payment.
- 13. Approving expenses comparable to within-grade increases, extensive overtime, and employee travel;
- 14. Recommending awards or bonuses for nonsupervisory personnel and changes in position classification, subject to approval by higher level officials, supervisors, or others;
- 15. Finding and implementing ways to eliminate or reduce significant bottlenecks and barriers to production, promote team building, or improve business practices.

## FACTOR 4 – PERSONAL CONTACTS FACTOR 4A – NATURE OF CONTACTS

Level 4A-3 (75 points)

Contacts include those which take place in meetings and conferences and unplanned contacts for which the employee is designated as a contact point by higher management. They often require extensive preparation of briefing materials or up-to-date technical familiarity with complex subject matter.

Such contacts are made on a frequent basis with the following: 1, 2 and 6.

- High ranking managers, supervisors, and technical staff in EPA AAships and/or laboratories: agency headquarters administrative support staff; or comparable personnel in other Federal agencies;
- 2. Key staff of public interest groups (usually in formal briefings) with significant political influence or media coverage;
- 3. Journalists representing influential city or county newspapers or comparable radio or television coverage;
- 4. Congressional committee and subcommittee staff assistants below staff director or chief counsel levels;
- 5. Contracting officials and high level technical staff or large industrial firms:
- 6. Local officers of regional or national trade associations, public action groups, or professional organizations; and/or State and local government managers doing business with the agency.

#### **FACTOR 4B—PURPOSE OF CONTACTS**

Level 4B-3 (100 points)

The purpose of the Branch Chief's contacts is to justify, defend, or negotiate in representing the Branch in obtaining or committing resources, and in gaining compliance with established policies, regulations or contacts. At this level, it usually involves active participation in conferences, meetings, hearings or presentations involving problems or issues of considerable consequences or importance to programs managed.

#### FACTOR 5 – DIFFICULTY OF TYPICAL WORK DIRECTED

Level 5-8

(1030 points)

At least 25% of the nonsupervisory duty hours of subordinates and others (i.e., contractor employees) is expended on work at the GS-12 level or above.

#### **FACTOR 6—OTHER CONDITIONS**

Level 6-6B

(1325 points)

The Branch Chief manages through subordinate supervisors and/or contractors who each direct substantial workloads comparable to the GS-12 or higher level. Such base work requires similar coordination as that described at Factor Level 6-5a above for first line supervisors.

Total points: 4205

GS-15 point range: 4055-up

## Extramural Resources Management Duties Checklist

This checklist must be used with all PDs to identify the percentage of time an employee is engaged in duties related to managing contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, and interagency agreements. For positions requiring performance of these duties for 25% or more of the employees time, in addition to this checklist, such duties must also be described in the body (major duties area) of the

	Percentage of Time Spent on Extramural Resources Management
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When this checklist is used as an amendment to a position	description, the following signatures are required:
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Pre-award:  Plans Procurements  Estimates Costs  Obtains funding committments  Prepares procurement requests  Writes statements of work  Reviews statements of work  Processes unsolicited proposals	Monitors management and performance of delivery orders/work assignments after award Defines scope of work for work assignments Approves payment requests of ACH drawdowns Manages cost-reimbursement contracts Reviews invoices Inspects and accepts deliverables Other (list)
Responds to pre-award inquiries Participates in pre-award conferences Conducts technical evaluation of proposals Participates in debriefing/protests Other (lists)	Close-out:  Writes reports on contractor performance, costs, and tasks performed Reconciles payments with work performance Closes-out payments Performs cost accounting Provides assistance to Contracting Officer in
Post-award:	settling claims
Prepares delivery orders Reviews contractor work plans	Other (list)
Reviews contractor progress reports	
Monitors government-furnished property	Percentage of Time Spent on Contracts Management
Monitors cost, management, and overall technical performance of contract after award	%

Part 2. Grants/Cooperative Agreements Duties	X_ Advises Grants Management Office of potential
Pre-application/Application:	problems/issues
Prepares solicitation for proposals	Participates in decisions/actions to ensure
dentifies potential grantees for area of program	<ul> <li>successful project completion and in decisions to impose sanctions</li> </ul>
emphasis	X Approves payments requests or ACH draw downs
Makes initial determinations (whether project is	X Reviews requests for modifications, additional
procurement or assistance, whether agency has	
legal authority, whether applicant is eligible,	funding, etc., and makes recommendations to Grants Management Office
whether funding is available, etc.)	X Negotiates amendments
Provides administrative information to applicants	Reviews Cost/Price/Analysis for recipient
Determines appropriateness of applicant=s	contracts/change orders (Superfund only)
work plan/activities/budget and compliance with	When necessary, recommends termination of the
regulations and guidelines and negotiates changes	agreement
with applicant	Resolves with Grants Management Office
Assists applicant in resolving issues in application	administrative and financial issues
X For cooperative agreement, determines substantial	Conducts periodic reviews to ensure compliance
Federal involvement and develops a condition for	with agreement
agreement	Other (list)
X Negotiates level of funding	
Conducts site visits to evaluate program capability	Close-out:
× Serves as resource to Selection Panel	Certifies deliverables were satisfactory and timely
Informs applicants of funding decisions	X Provides assistance to recipients and Grants
Other (list)	Management Office to ensure timely close-out
	X Reconciles payment with work performed
Award:	Notifies recipient of close-out requirements
Prepares funding package, including Decision	X Obtains legal assistance if necessary to resolve
Memorandum	incomplete close-out
	If project is audited, responds to issues and ensures
Reviews/concurs in completed document	recipient complies with audit recommendations
Establishes project file	Other (list)
Other (list)	Describer of Time Count on Counts/Councillia
Project Management/Administration:	Percentage of Time Spent on Grants/Cooperative Agreements Management
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## Position Risk Designation Checklist

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(Position's primary function, e.g., onicia	al position title may be Life Scientist, but function may be Permit Writer
Service Agreement. Please provide the Service Agreement No.: Owner can help you with this.) Please Note: This SF 52 action w	stigation will be funded through your Working Capital Fund (WCF) <u>あいたなっつうまる</u> (Your Service Agreement Account vill <u>not</u> be processed unless the service agreement number is provided
reassignments, recruitments) involving a change in position des	is form for all personnel actions (appointments, details, promotions, scription exceeding 180 days. The completed form will help the ropriate risk level. This form must be submitted with the SF 52 package ription. Where explanations are requested, attach additional pages, as
Answer all "Yes/No" questions based on the FPL position based needed. If you have questions, please contact your local HR re	presentative or service center.
Has the risk level of this position already been designa     What is the name of the incumbent of the above position     If you answered "Yes" to question 1, please skip all remain.	ited at the full performance level? Yes No
2. Is the position one of the following predesignated positives: "please indicate the position below, answer question	itions? Yes YNo on 3, skip remaining questions, print pages 1-2, and sign/date the form
NOTE: Unless otherwise specified, these predesignations must be individually designated, requiring the completion of	
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Rench Scientist, such as chemist,	IT Specialist (Internet)—High
biologist, etc. —Moderate	IT Specialist (Network Services)—High
Contract Project Officer—Moderate	IT Specialist (Operating System)—High
Contract Specialist—Moderate	IT Specialist (Policy and Planning)—Moderate
Criminal Investigator (all grades, all positions)—High	IT Specialist (Security)—High
Deputy Division or Division Director—High	IT Specialist (System Administrator)—High
Financial Specialist/Accountant/	IT Specialist (Systems Analysis)—Moderate
Budget Analyst—Moderate Grants Project Officer—Moderate	On-Scene Coordinator (all grades, all positions)—High
Grants Specialist (GS 12 and below)—Low	Permit Writer—Moderate
Grants Specialist (GS 12 and above)—Moderate	Public Affairs Specialist/Community Involvement Coordinator—Moderate
HR Specialist (Benefits)—Moderate	QA Scientist —Moderate
HR Specialist (Classification)—Low	RCRA Corrective Action Officer—Moderate
HR Specialist (ER/LR)—Moderate	Remedial Project Manager—Moderate
HR Specialist (Generalist)—Moderate	Site Assessment Manager—Moderate
HR Specialist (Staffing)—Moderate	Support Services Specialist—Moderate
HR Specialist (Training)—Low	Toxicologist—Moderate
Inspector—Moderate	
IT Specialist (Application Software)—High	OIG Employee (all grades, all positions)—High
IT Specialist (Customer Service)—Moderate	Other Known High-Risk Position—High
T Specialist (Data Management)—Moderate	Supervisor of High-Risk Employee(s)—High
Requires access to classified information or materials w/package.) What clearance level is required? Secret.	t in top secret
NOTE: If you answered "Yes" to No. 2 and have answered No.	3, skip remaining questions, print pages 1-2, and sign/date the form.
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Ans	wer all "Yes/No" questions based on the FPL position description/If explanations are requested, attach additional pages.					
4,	Requires access to sensitive information or materials? Yes No (If "Yes," check all that apply.)  Yes No (If "Yes," check all that apply.)  Yes No (If "Yes," check all that apply.)  Confidential business information  Personally identifiable information (e.g., address)  Audits (e.g., financial reviews)  Investigations (e.g., CID)  Other information that, if compromised, could cause harm (describe on separate page)					
5.	The scope of this position is:  Local Regional Global					
€.	The Impact/potential harm this position could cause would be:  Internal to EPA  Wildi-Agency/Government-wide  Beyond the Government					
7.	Position is a presidential or political appointment: Yes VNo					
8.	Requires access to hazardous or dangerous material (nuclear, biological, or chemical): Yes Who What materials are involved?					
<b>9</b> .	Makes policy that affects AAship, Regional or Agency operations (not simply local branch or section operations):  Yes No Describe:					
10.	supervisory approval/sign off: Yes No					
11.	Obligates the agency to take action or spend funds: Yes Who What actions? What amount of funding typically? What is the ceiling?					
12.						
	Communicates with:  MEPA personnel  Government entities outside of EPA  Maudience beyond government, including media, private industry, academia, environmental interest groups  Communication methods:  Missance Shares factual information (e.g., technical or policy reports, outreach, or public relations material)  Missance Participates in meetings, conferences, or seminars  Posts material on the EPA intranet or public website  Missance Provide Participates in meetings, conferences, or seminars  Missance Provided Participates in meetings, conferences, or seminars  Missance					
13.	Protects or identifies critical infrastructure systems/programs, such as water treatment, other utilities, or telecommunications: Yes No What systems/programs are involved? Donking Work Home Land Sciency Work Security Directly enforces health regulations and/or protects public safety: Yes No					
14.	Directly enforces health regulations and/or protects public safety: Yes No					
15.						
16.	Information technology (IT) position that creates, programs, administers, or protects government IT systems, databases, or infrastructure: Yes You (Note: Does not apply to positions that only use IT systems.)					
17.	Requires official EPA credentials: Yes No (Note: Credential bearers represent the agency and perform specific civil enforcement tasks, e.g., EPA inspectors.)					
18.	Other unique or critical characteristics/dutles/requirements not previously covered? Yes No Describe:					
	Jeffrey Grotz /					
	Deputy Director, Close Water Dwiscon 10-9-14					
Tit	le Date					